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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 CASE NO. 5:22-cv-00949-KK-(SHKx)

11 *Assigned for All Purposes to:*
12 *Hon. Kenly K. Kato – Courtroom 3*

13 **[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING**
14 **COUNTY DEFENDANTS' MOTION**
15 **IN LIMINE NO. 6 TO EXCLUDE**
16 **LAY WITNESS OPINION AS TO**
17 **HECTOR PUGA'S STATE OF**
18 **MIND**

19 Date: May 15, 2025
20 Time: 9:30 a.m.
21 Courtroom: 3

22 *Trial Date: June 2, 2025*

23 *Complaint filed: 06/07/2022*
24 *FAC filed: 10/18/22*
25 *SAC filed: 01/13/23*
26 *TAC filed: 05/12/23*

11 L.C., a minor by and through her
12 guardian *ad litem* Maria Cadena,
13 individually and as successor-in-interest
14 to Hector Mr. Puga; I.H., a minor by
15 and through his guardian *ad litem*
16 Jasmine Hernandez, individually and as
17 successor-in-interest to Hector Mr.
18 Puga; A.L., a minor by and through her
19 guardian *ad litem* Lydia Lopez,
20 individually and as successor-in-interest
21 to Hector Mr. Puga; and ANTONIA
22 SALAS UBALDO, individually,

23 Plaintiffs,

24 vs.

25 STATE OF CALIFORNIA; COUNTY
26 OF SAN BERNARDINO; S.S.C., a
27 nominal defendant; ISIAH KEE;
28 MICHAEL BLACKWOOD;
BERNARDO RUBALCAVA;
ROBERT VACCARI; JAKE ADAMS;
and DOES 6-10, inclusive,

Defendants.

[PROPOSED] ORDER

On April 17, 2025, County Defendants filed their Motions *in Limine* No. 6 to exclude lay witness opinions regarding Hector Puga's state of mind.

The Court, having considered County Defendants' Motion *in limine*, all moving papers, evidence, and oral arguments associated therewith and finding good cause, therefore, hereby GRANTS the Motion and ORDERS as follows:

Plaintiffs, their witnesses, and their counsel are precluded from making, in the presence of the jurors, any statement, utterance, insinuation, or use of Hector Puga's state of mind.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs witnesses shall not mention, refer to, interrogate concerning, or attempts to convey to the jury in any manner, either directly or indirectly, the evidence mentioned herein, without first obtaining permission of the Court outside the presence and hearing of the jury; shall not make any reference to the fact that this motion has been filed, and/or granted; and are warned and cautioned to strictly follow these instructions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: _____

HONORABLE KENLY KIYAKATO
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE